

MINUTES OF THE PAWLET SELECT BOARD

January 10, 2012

7:06PM Meeting called to order by chair, Mike Beecher.

Present: Clarence Decker, Bob Jones, Mike Beecher

Audience Present: Keith Mason, James Glick

The minutes of December 27, 2011 were reviewed. *Motion by Deck, seconded by Bob, to accept the minutes with corrections. So voted.*

Audience:

Keith Mason, road foreman: gave the board estimates from several places for the cost of a new truck. The board discussed with Keith the merits of the different types of trucks, as well as financing options. The board needs to make a decision before they set the tax rate. The board agreed the old truck and some equipment should be sold. Keith will get solid numbers together on new truck prices, working with Judy, and present these to the board.

Keith asked if the winter stays mild, does the board think that putting in the Rosenthal drain is feasible. They would just work from the top of the driveway to the river and not across the road at this point. It probably wouldn't take more than two days. The board is in favor of taking care of it now. Keith will check with the local contractors for their availability.

Roadside mowing: Keith recommends the board accept the bid from Dave Hosley and incorporate that into the budget. Keith needs to make sure the mowing is done in a timely fashion- with specific dates. This should be incorporated into his proposal. Fred Stone is interested in doing the landfill again.

Correspondence:

The Clerk's memo was reviewed.

- Keys were left in her door.
- Emergency Managers & Voluntary organizations responsible for the management of spontaneous volunteers information.
- Letter from John Thrasher regarding public disclosure of HS-122 information on tax bills
- Letter from Dubois and King regarding repair to bridges along the Delaware-Hudson rail trail.
- Deb will have the Warning available for the board's signature on January 24th.

- The article on work to be done at the library was submitted too late to be included in the budget.
- The office will be closed Monday, January 16th in observance of MLK JR. day

Deck: The state is paying a lesser amount for bridge six work since the cost was less. The work is completed and the paperwork is signed by the board

Rutland Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan adoption letter.

Deck reported on the status of the Bett's Bridge repairs. Pawlet should be getting the FEMA amount of approximately 75%. Deck has requested three bids, and has received one. The end of this month is the deadline. The work must be completed in 18 months.

Bett's Bridge road was not accessible during Irene. There are four culverts that should be addressed in anticipation of a similar situation in the future.

RRPC letter stating there is no inventory on the culverts from Pawlet. Keith is working on that now with them. The information will be put on maps by RRPC.

Dues for fiscal year 2013 for RRPC (letter).

Letter from the Preservation Trust of Vermont showing work completed in 2011.

Hazard mitigation plan (adopted).

The treasurer's report was reviewed:

- W-2 s
- Elevator letter for Joe Keith said he dealt with that.
- Wastewater user list for Joe.
- Mileage question for Deck.
- Renewal of contract for Jeff. Motion by Deck, seconded by Bob, to renew his contract for one year, so voted.

8:37PM *Motion by Deck to adjourn, so voted*

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Folger, clerk